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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated October 28, 2005, for which the three-month shortened statutory period for reply is set to expire on January 28, 2006. While Applicants believe that no extension of time for response is necessary, should the Office determine that any additional fees are necessary for this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account No.

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Amendments to the **Claims** are reflected in the **Listing of Claims**, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.

Entry of the Amendments below and consideration of the Remarks that follow is respectfully requested.